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<u>Existing law</u> provides for the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law and provides for penalties for violations of that law.

<u>New law</u> retains the provisions of <u>existing law</u> and provides that an individual who claims possession of a valid prescription for any controlled dangerous substance as a defense to a violation of the provisions of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law shall have the obligation to produce sufficient proof of a valid prescription. <u>New law</u> further provides that production of the original prescription bottle with the defendant's name, the pharmacist's name and prescription number shall be sufficient proof of a valid prescription.

Existing law provides for grounds for a motion to quash.

<u>New law</u> retains the provisions of <u>existing law</u> and adds as a grounds for a motion to quash that the defendant who is charged with a violation of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law has a valid prescription for that substance.

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(Adds R.S. 40:991 and C.Cr.P. Art. 532(10) and 535(7))